

Docket No. 2839-0072-0 PCT

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kazuo HATA, ET AL.

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FOR: CERAMIC SHEET AND METHOD OF PRODUCING CERAMIC SHEET



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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Marked-up copy of amendments
Abstract
Micrographs (two pages)
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 9, 2001, the period for response having been extended to November 9, 2001, by a petition for extension of time filed herewith, please amend the application identified above as follows (marked-up copy of amendments attached):

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 4 and 9-10 as follows:

4. (Amended) A ceramic sheet according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the defect is a flaw or foreign matter having an area of 0.1 mm^2 or larger.

9. (Amended) A green sheet for use as a spacer in producing the ceramic sheet of claim 1, the green sheet including ceramic particles 80 wt% or more of which are spherical ceramic particles having an average particle diameter of 0.1 to less than $5 \mu\text{m}$.

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